



# Bike Month 2013



Join the City of Greenville throughout the month of May for a variety of bike-friendly events to keep you pedaling safe and smart. Spring is in the air and it's a wonderful time of year to explore our City by bike.

Whether you're enjoying one of our many greenway trails, complete streets, or special events, Bikeville is here to help you go by bike. Bicycling is a fun way to get work, save money on gas, combine exercise with transportation, spend time with your family, explore neighborhoods, and show your support for the environment. Consider this, for every mile you cycle, you can keep 3.6 lbs of automobile pollutants from entering the air and atmosphere. The Federal Highway Administration estimates that 60 percent of all automobile trips are under five miles in distance. Short car trips (0-5 miles) are the most polluting.

## National Bike Challenge

Join fellow bicyclists in Greenville and across the country during Bike Month for the 2013 *National Bike Challenge*. This advocacy initiative aims to inspire and empower millions of Americans to ride their bikes for transportation, recreation and better health. The Challenge is simple: Sign up as an individual or as a team, log your miles, share your stories and encourage others to join you. Riders will compete for prizes and awards on the local and national level, including a Grand Prize Trek Bike or New Belgium Brewing Cruiser. <http://www.endomondo.com/join/national>

A smartphone App is also available for download. Search *Endomondo*.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 9 – National Bike-to-School Day

Organize, plan, lead, and participate in National Bike-to-School Day with your school, neighbors, and family. <http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/>

### May 13-17 National Bike-to-Work Week

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 – Ride of Silence

**Pedal Chic on Main St., 6:30 pm - 8 pm**

A community bike ride in silent procession to honor cyclists who have been killed or injured while cycling on public roadways. We will meet at 6:30 pm for a few short announcements, distribute black arm bands, and depart at 7 pm. We will ride in silence for 1-hour. We will be joining bicyclists world-wide. [www.rideofsilence.org](http://www.rideofsilence.org)



### FRIDAY, May 17 – National Bike-to-Work Day

Join bicyclists on National Bike-to-Work Day by commuting to work via pedal power. Visit <http://www.bikeleague.org/programs/bikemonth/> for commuting resources.

### SATURDAY, May 18 - Traffic Skills Class for the Nicholtown Community

**Nicholtown Community Center, 9:30am – 12 noon**

Learn fundamental bicycle skills to help you have FUN & be SAFE as you maneuver in traffic. Class is for adults of all ages (15 and up). The registration fee is \$5.00 and proceeds cover materials and a donation to the Nicholtown Spinners Youth Bike Club

### SATURDAY, May 18 - Traffic Skills Class for the Sterling Community

**Sterling Hope Center, 2:00pm – 4:30pm**

Learn fundamental bicycle skills to help you have FUN & be SAFE as you maneuver in traffic. Class is for adults of all ages (15 and up). The registration fee is \$5.00 and proceeds cover materials and a donation to the Sterling Spinners Youth Bike Club.